

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 (Canceled).

2 (Currently amended). An assembly comprising

a prosthesis,

a support including a supporting surface,

a mount including a mounting surface for the prosthesis, the mount being adapted to be supported by the supporting surface to permit relative movement ~~of~~ between the mount ~~and upon~~ the supporting surface,

a series of sequentially-stacked members including a first member carried by the mount and permitting relative movement ~~of~~ between the first member and the mount, a second member stacked sequentially above the first member and permitting relative movement ~~of~~ between the second member and the first member, and a third member stacked sequentially above the second member and permitting relative movement ~~of~~ between the third member and the second member, the first and third members being sized and configured for movement in concert, the second member being sized and configured to not move in concert with either of the first and second members, and

a locking mechanism adapted for operation in a first mode to compress the first, second, and third members to create multiple concurrent frictional forces between the first, second, third members that limit movement of the mount upon the supporting surface and in a second mode to relieve the multiple concurrent frictional forces to allow movement of the mount upon the supporting surface for adjusting the position of the prosthesis.

3 (Previously presented). An assembly as in claim 2

wherein at least one of the members is adapted for movement in concert with the supporting surface and not the mount, and

wherein at least one of the members is adapted for movement in concert with the mount and not the supporting surface.

4 (Previously presented). An assembly as in claim 3

wherein at least one of the members has a marginal edge adapted to engage an interior margin of the mount to permit movement in concert with the mount and not the supporting surface.

5 (Previously presented). An assembly as in claim 3

wherein at least one of the members has a marginal edge adapted to be free from engagement with an interior margin of the mount to permit movement in concert with the supporting surface and not the mount.